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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 8 October 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Sierra Leone (S/1997/776 and S/1997/777)

Other matters

Morning*	3822nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Sierra Leone

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* Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.	162nd meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing in Conference Room 7, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press in the same room.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

3 p.m. 29th PLENARY MEETING Conference Room 4

United Nations reform: measures and proposals [157]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/950);

(b) Conference room papers (A/52/CRP.1 and 2*).

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* Will be available at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 4th meeting Conference Room 2

1. Agenda items 18, 90, 91, 92 and 12 and 93

   General debate on all decolonization items: item 18 (A/52/23 (Parts II, V-VI), A/AC.109/2071-2072, 2074-2078, 2080-2082, 2084, 2086-2088, 2090); item 90 (A/52/23 (Part IV)*, chapter VIII, A/52/365); item 91 (A/52/23 (Part III)*); item 92 (A/52/3* (chapter V, section E), A/52/23 (Part IV)*, chapter VII, A/52/185, A/AC.109/L.1866, E/1987/81 and Add.1); item 93 (A/52/388)

2. Requests for hearing (A/C.4/52/2/Add.6, A/C.4/52/4/Add.1-3, A/C.4/52/5)

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* To be issued.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 5th meeting Conference Room 1

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [151] (A/52/33, A/52/308, A/52/317)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Board of Auditors
2. Draft report on UNRWA

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session for 1997

10 a.m. 44th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1997/109)
2. Reports, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies: Environmental questions: sustainable development: Arrangements for elections to the Bureau of the Committee on Sustainable Development; and Future meetings of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests [7(b)]
3. Postponed elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments [1] (E/1997/L./60, E/1997/L.19, E/1997/L.22 and E/1997/L.1/Add.3-4)

Announcements

Advance unedited copy of the report of the Secretary-General on "Funding modalities of operational activities as requested by the Economic and Social Council" is available for pick-up from room S-2994.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 8 October 1997

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP: GROUP OF EXPERTS ON DISARMAMENT OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on Second Committee organizational matters)

Morning*-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Economic and Social Council.

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Briefing

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for press officers of Member States of the United Nations will resume *today*, 8 October 1997, at 12.30 p.m. in room S-226.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 October 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings as of 6 October will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 9 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 2

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will hold its 2nd meeting to consider the organization of work. The meeting will take place on Thursday, 9 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

The First Committee will begin the general debate on its agenda items on Monday, 13 October 1997. Delegations are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the secretariat (tel.: 963-5584).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

As recommended in General Assembly resolution 50/227, the Second Committee will hold informal consultations on all organizational matters on Thursday, 9 October 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

The lists of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, are open for inscription. The general debate is scheduled to begin on Monday, 13 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the lists are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. June Knesl, tel.: 212- 963-5709, fax: 212-963-5935).

The following advance unedited documents under agenda item 95 (Macroeconomic policy questions: (a) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries; and (d) External debt crisis and development) are available outside of room DC2-2126: Report of the Secretary-General on global financial integration: an update; and Report of the Secretary-General on sources for the financing of development.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with the programme contained in document A/C.3/52/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Monday, 13 October 1997, at 3 p.m. sharp. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248; fax: 212-963-5935 or 963-1712).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

In accordance with the decision taken at its resumed organizational session on 5 September 1997, the Committee for Programme and Coordination will hold its resumed thirty-seventh session at United Nations Headquarters for up to 5 days beginning Monday, 13 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/AC.51/1997/1/Add.1.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 14 October 1997 at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room C.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-second session of the Commission (2-13 March 1998). The topics of the panels will be: (1) women and armed conflict; (2) human rights of women; (3) the girl child; and (4) violence against women. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names, indicating the specific panel for which they are being proposed, to the Division for the Advancement of Women (DC2-1216), *no later than* Friday, 31 October 1997.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on the reports of the Executive Board field visits to Jamaica, Turks and Caicos Islands and Cuba (DP/1997/CRP.24) and to Kyrgyzstan and Latvia (DP/1997/CRP.26) on Thursday, 9 October 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole on Thursday, 9 October 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a Workshop on the art of public speaking and managing meetings (chairing and participating) for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held from Wednesday, 15 to Friday, 17 October 1997.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives on 24 September 1997. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

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Briefing

A briefing on the United Nations Stand-by-Forces High Readiness Brigade, SHIRBRIG, will be held on Monday, 20 October 1997, from 3 p.m. to 3.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The presentation is prepared to the benefit of permanent representatives, peacekeeping experts and military advisers, as well as Secretariat staff. The presentation will be given by the Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Jorgen Bøjer, and the Commanding Officer of SHIRBRIG, Brigadier General Finn Særmark-Thomsen. The presentation will be followed by a question-and-discussion period.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 7 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

27h plenary meeting

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/52/340/Add.1) [8]

The General Assembly adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Conferences contained in a letter from the Chairman of the Committee (A/52/340/Add.1) to authorize the Committee on Information to meet in New York during the main part of the fifty-second session of the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Abdulaziz Kamilov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan, H.E. Mr. Henry Koba, Chairman of the Delegation of the Central African Republic, H.E. Mr. Jeremie Bonnelame, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Seychelles, H.E. Don Miguel Oyono Ndong Mifumu, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea, H.E. Muratbek C. Imanaliev, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyzstan, and H.E. The Honourable G. Bostwick, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bahamas.

H.E. The Honourable Rialuth Serge Vohor, Prime Minister of the Republic of Vanuatu, addressed the General Assembly.

28th plenary meeting

Conclusion of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Kilroy Genia, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Papua New Guinea, H.E. Mr. Ahmed Ould Minnih, Minister Secretary-General of the Presidency of Mauritania, H.E. Mr. Haile Weldensae, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Eritrea, H.E. The Honourable Alpian Allen, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tourism and Information of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and H.E. The Honourable Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Kenya.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Greece, the Sudan, Turkey and Cyprus.

The President made a statement.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 7th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and had before it a report of the Secretary-General on the impact of approved savings measures on the implementation of mandated programmes and activities (A/C.5/51/53), the relevant sections of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/52/7) and the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/52/16).

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Paraguay (on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela, Honduras (representing Central America) and Guyana (representing the Caribbean), Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of the Czech Republic, Romania, Cyprus, Slovakia, Slovenia and Lithuania), Kenya, Japan, Algeria, New Zealand, the United States, Australia, Mexico and Canada.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division responded to questions posed.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and Cuba.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division responded to questions posed.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [142]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

(a) *Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations*

Third party liability; Reform of procedures for determining reimbursement to Member States regarding contingent-owned equipment; Detailed proposals on the implementation of death and disability benefits

Statements were made by the representatives of Nepal, Mexico, Pakistan and the United States.

The Deputy Director of Peacekeeping Financing Division and the Deputy Director of the Field Administration and Logistics Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations responded to questions posed at the previous and present meeting.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Mexico as well as by the Chairman of the Committee.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Philippines and Japan.

The Secretary of the Committee responded to a question posed.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 4th meeting

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session [148]

Statements were made by representatives of Austria, Kenya, Indonesia, the Czech Republic, Malawi (on behalf of the States Members of the Southern African Development Coordinating Committee (SADC)), Belarus, China, Ukraine, Egypt, the United States, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Canada, Morocco and the Republic of Korea.

The Chairman of UNCITRAL, Mr. Bossa, made a concluding statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of UNCITRAL's report.

Organization of work

The Committee elected Mrs. Socorro Flores (Mexico) as Chairman of the Working Group on the United Nations Decade of International Law.

The Chairman made a statement.

Upon adjournment of the meeting the Working Group on the Decade began its work.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

SEVENTEENTH MEETING OF STATES PARTIES 23rd meeting

Note: The summary of the 23rd meeting of the States Parties will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/195).

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Sixteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 1997

420th and 421st meetings

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Togo (CRC/C/3/Add.42).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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